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*"Thanks be to God which giveth us the victory
through our Lord Jesus Christ."*

1 Cor. 15:57.

HAROLD M. LAMBERT

Religion and the World

BY THE EDITOR

Priming the Food Conference

The *National Voice* states that the Food Conference recently held at Hot Springs, Va., started out with 2,400 pints of various kinds of liquor. There were fifty cases of Scotch, twenty cases of Bourbon, ten cases of rye, ten cases of gin, six cases of Vermouth, two cases of brandy, and two of assorted cocktails. Additional to this, each delegate and attache could bring an extra gallon. There at the Homestead Hotel representatives from forty-three foreign countries met for scientific study of the food situation. Do you remember that certain high officials of Washington were "up in the air" because newsmen and other representatives were not allowed to sit in on this conference? It is quite easy to see why newsmen were not wanted in this conference. It was not a food conference alone, looks like they had the "drinks" also. A timely example, huh? If a serious impression is to be made on the public, it is time for prominent and important officials to be of a "serious" mind first.

Churches Show Record Membership Gain

NEW YORK (RNS)—Church membership in the United States has increased by nearly 3,000,000 persons since 1941—the largest gain ever reported in any religious census or compilation, according to the Yearbook of American Churches, just published here under the auspices of the Federal Council of Churches.

The current grand total of 67,327,719 church members, as compared with 64,501,594 in 1941 raises church membership figures to 50.3 per cent of the total population, the highest percentage ever recorded. An all-time high in the number of religious bodies is also reported: 256 in 1943 as against 250 in 1941.

Total membership for all Protestant churches is listed at 38,502,067; for the Roman Catholic Church, 22,945,247, and for Jewish congregations, 4,641,184.

Among Protestant denominations, the Methodist Church is highest with 6,640,424 members, and the Southern Baptist Convention next with 5,367,129.

Other membership listing are: National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., 3,911,612; Protestant Episcopal Church, 2,074,178; Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A., 1,986,257; United Lutheran Church, 1,709,290, and Eastern Orthodox Churches, 1,158,635.

Ninety-seven per cent of the church members in the continental United States are included in fifty-two religious bodies with 50,000 or more members. The remaining three per cent are affiliated with the 204 smaller bodies. Church members thirteen years of age and over were 54,890,044 persons, or more than 81 per cent of the total of 6,732,719 members. In 1941, the number of members thirteen years of age and over was 52,405,659.

National Significance

Nearly 14,000,000,000 gallons of alcoholic beverages were consumed in the United States from April, 1933, to August, 1941, at a cost of more than \$23,000,000,000.

The United States public spent over \$4,000,000,000 for alcoholic beverages in 1941.

There was an increase of 39 per cent in the consumption of hard liquor in this country from January, 1942, to March, 1942, over the same period for 1941. Illinois had a 46 per cent increase for this period.

The sale of beer has increased approximately 500,000 barrels a month since January, 1942.

Consumption of alcoholic beverages in Washington, D. C., is higher per capita than in any other city in the United States—almost 22 gallons per person in 1941.

In 1941 the country spent \$25,000,000,000 on liquor, gambling and crime—\$9,000,000,000 more than was spent for all education, dairy and meat products, automobiles, motion pictures, church and religious purposes for the same period.

Three million tons of food materials (grain, sugar, molasses, etc.), were used by the brewers and distillers in 1941. Nearly 500,000 persons were employed in the alcoholic beverage business.

The brewers, distillers and wine makers spend \$28,000,000 annually for advertising.

Approximately 60 per cent of all motion pictures reflect propaganda favorable to the use of alcoholic beverages. More than 70,000,000 persons attend the movies each week in the United States.

There are over 400,000 retail liquor dealers in the United States. Illinois has about 22,000 such dealers and nearly one-half of them operate in Cook County.

Federal agents average 25,000 arrests a year for liquor law violations and destroy about 1,000 stills a month.

An estimated 3,000,000,000 gallons of illegal whiskey were sold from 1933 to 1941.

In ten months of 1939, approximately 1,000,000 gallons of hard liquor were sold by wholesalers in eight states to Mississippi bootleggers alone. During 1939, a Maryland concern sold \$1,200,000 worth of liquor to North Carolina and Virginia bootleggers.

A member of the New York State Department of Health estimates that there are at least 1,000,000 chronic alcoholics in the United States (December, 1940).

Arrests for drunkenness increased 106 per cent from 1932 to 1941. Arrests for driving while intoxicated increased 99 per cent for the same period.

Goliathian Tragedy

Writing under the topic of "God Bless America—America Bless God," Rev. C. A. Cooper makes the follow-

ing startling disclosures about riot and drink:

"How can God further bless America in the face of the brazen liquor traffic? We have 412,700 saloons with bars and brass rails and more than 700,000 retail outlets, or about one for every thirty adults. In one state there is a saloon for every fifty-three persons including non-drinkers and babies. There is a liquor license for every 267 persons and a barroom for every seventy-one homes. America is fast becoming a liquor-soaked nation, a nation of drunkards. One million new addicts will be made this year, one-third of which will be under twenty-one years of age. Sixty-two per cent of American youths between sixteen and twenty-four are drinkers. There are 1,350,000 barmaids in "Christian" America. An ad appeared in the Boston Expositor—"Wanted, a Christian girl to serve as barmaid." Such affrontery is a personal insult to every Christian girl in the land. Alcoholic mental disorders cost \$187,000,000 annually. Up to forty per cent of all mental cases are alcoholics. Last year the 486 breweries in America destroyed 15,000,000 tons of grains, 1,000,000 tons of fruits, 70,000 tons of sugars, 4,000,000 gallons molasses. The occasion of this sabotage added up to a five years' supply of alcohol, besides the consumption of 2,100,000,000 gallons of intoxicants, and proved an economic loss to the nation of over \$5,000,000,000 through liquor-bred accidents, loss of manhours, absenteeism, etc., besides the "usual" \$10,000,000 daily liquor bill.

During the first year of repeal, milk consumption dropped 37,000,000 quarts, the second year 59,000,000 and the third year 69,000,000. In 1938 the average family spent \$84.88 for liquor and only \$40.68 for milk. The disparity has increased many fold since.

In contrast with present figures, the 18th Amendment padlocked 177,790 saloons, 1,754 breweries and distilleries, which in turn decreased the death rate from alcoholism 42 per cent, insanity 66 per cent, drunkenness 70 per cent, crime 54 per cent (U. S. Court of Records). Consequently 97 of the 98 Keeley Cure Institutes and all the Neal Cure Hospitals were closed. AMERICA, up in arms against this SABOTEUR of home, church and nation.

Before France fell she had 477,000 drink shops and a 17½ quarts consumption of absolute alcohol per person per year. We have 700,000 liquor joints and one of our states a per capita consumption of 23.5 gallons of intoxicants.

Only a return to the "Faith of our Fathers" from the debauchery of our times will witness God's blessing upon America and the lifting of the curse of liquor lawlessness, blighted youth, corrupted womanhood, carnage and war.

Faith of Our "Fathers"?

We sing "Faith of Our Fathers," and remember our parents' religious devotion. But can our children honestly sing that? Do they see evidence of our faith? Or will they have to sing, "Faith of our grandfathers, living faith"?—*The Upper Room.*

Notes From My Letters

By
J. H. WALKER,
General Overseer



Telegram

"Great convention just closed at Borger, Texas. Large crowds. Good spirit. Mission offering \$304—twelve times as much as last year. — C. H. Gardner, district pastor, T. W. Godwin, overseer.

Brother Walker, we had our first district convention May 29, 30, in Pittsfield, Maine. I wish that some of you could have been with us, but realize that miles prohibit. Honestly, we have some of the very best workers up here this year, willing to work and sacrifice for the Lord. With hardly anything coming in, they stay right at the post. Brother and Sister Russell Ford are in Belfast, Maine, in a revival. Brother Wilmon Smith and family are on their way here from Largo, Florida, to help in the work. Brother and Sister Meares, of Largo, Florida, are coming up for the state convention, also my Dad and Mother.—William Morris, overseer of New England States.

The camp meeting was far beyond what we expected, with many more people than we had last year. The unity and spirit of the meeting was 100 per cent. Our mission offering — good, and the Orphanage offering was a little less than \$1,000.—John C. Jernigan, overseer of Florida.

Along with my report, I thought I would write and tell you about the meeting we had Sunday, June 6, 1943, at Three Forks, Montana. We don't have any church in Three Forks, so there were just a few of us that went, but we had a good time in the Lord. After we ate dinner, we went back in service for the afternoon, and the Lord surely did meet with us in a wonderful way. I said to the people, "Let's give to the Church of God Orphanage," and the offering was even \$15. For that we thanked the Lord. Pray that God will give us a church in that valley. Don't forget us in Montana.—Ray T. Hill, overseer of Montana.

This has been a great month for California. Things are going fine, and we have had at least two fine revivals, one in Tulare and the other in San Pablo. The Los Angeles fellowship meeting of Monday night was wonderful. A great crowd was present and God did bless.—James L. Slay, overseer of California.

Greetings in the name of Jesus. This is a new field for the Church of God, and we are trying to build for God these days. We have a good Sunday

ANNOUNCING NEW ENGLAND STATES CONVENTION

The New England States convention will convene in Appleton, Maine, July 22-25, inclusive. Appleton is located in Knox County, between Augusta and Rockland, Maine. It is beautifully situated in a valley, surrounded by beautiful lakes and mountains; an ideal place for an old-fashioned spiritual feast.

Means of Transportation

Since the curtailment of gas on the Eastern Coast, the New England States have felt the effect very keenly. We are very sorry that the means of transportation is going to be limited, however arrangements are being made by the convention committee to meet you by truck or car at Camden, Rockland or Union, Me. On arriving at these stations, call Brown and Sprowl's Store at Appleton, phone Union 3 Ring 2.

Entertainment

Since the custom of the New England States has been to serve the convention meals free, the same is being worked out this year, also the lodging will be free of charge.

Visitors Welcome

Already we have received word from Florida, Maryland, Michigan, Pennsylvania, and New York of folk that are planning to attend this convention. You will always find a welcome from the New England Churches of God to attend our state convention.

Revival

July 14, the evangelists and co-workers, along with the state overseer, will start a revival at Appleton. This is a forerunner or stimulant to the state convention. There has been an

School started, also working and praying that the Lord will give a God-sent, Holy Ghost revival. We surely need the Lord in California. Just think this over: In San Pedro there are about 65,000 people, and I would say that not 700 people go to church on Sunday in this place. May the Lord bless the Church in all lands.—A. H. Beck, pastor.

We are well, working hard and enjoying the blessings of the Lord. Brother, we have a BROADCAST in Missouri now—at St. Joseph. We had been praying that we would or could get one somewhere, and isn't it just like the Lord to answer prayer? We talked with Brothers Conn and Byington while at the convention in St. Joseph and yesterday we received a letter from Brother Byington saying, "We had our first broadcast today (Sunday). Everyone that we talked to about our program said it was the best program on that station. Brother Conn preached today, and I am to preach next Sunday." We are praising the Lord for this. Brother Byington's church has a fine little orchestra, about a twelve-piece one. We have a tent revival at Festus and Crystal City, and the prospects are good. We plan to set a church in order Sunday night. There are several other revivals in the making. We are still expecting God to undertake for us and give us some real revivals. We are looking forward to our state convention. — G. R. Watson, overseer of Missouri.

evangelistic spirit this Assembly year, throughout the New England States, and we are hoping this will lead any revival held this year.—Wm. F. Morris, overseer.

If you know of anyone leaving your community and coming to Cincinnati, Ohio; Covington, Ky., or Newport, Ky., if you will send us his address we will visit him and try to get him out to church.—Rev. J. B. Hibbard, pastor, 544 E. 2nd St., Newport, Ky.

I am in the evangelistic work, giving my entire time to the work. I am open for calls, ready to go anywhere. We just closed a successful revival at St. Paul, N. C.—Rev. J. F. Jenkins, Box 484, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Should there be any Church of God members or friends at Camp Ellis, Lewiston, Ill., you may contact me at 905 Smith St., Peoria, Ill. The church is located at 2517 Western Ave., Peoria, Ill.—Pastor, L. M. Justice.

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Liberty

By J. H. WALKER,
General Overseer

Text, "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, and the people whom he has chosen for his own inheritance," Psa. 33:12.

God has blessed America—a very fruitful land—a people blessed with intelligence, liberty, and Christian faith. The history of America reflects continually the direction of God. Everyone is blessed to live in such a goodly country, with its beautiful and worthy institutions. Its citizens serve and praise patriotically an equitable government; and they have reason to be proud of its glorious flag that waves as an emblem of the liberties, victories, freedoms, and deliverance to its people. All Americans are not Christian men. They have their defects and sins; yet there is still wonderful progress, growth, and development in philanthropy, education, citizenship, and civic righteousness. The love of liberty and independence has placed our nation high among the nations of the earth. We have a vast domain, of which we may well feel proud, and a national spirit, which represents love of freedom and sympathy for the oppressed who are struggling for liberty and justice in all lands. Even in this global war in which we are now engaged, there is paramount among us the ideal, not of conquering other lands for our possessions, but the setting at liberty of struggling and oppressed humanity. This whole-hearted desire to prove a blessing to other nations welds our hearts together in this great conflict.

Independence Day

July 4 is observed as a national holiday throughout the United States by the American people, commemorating the anniversary date of the signing of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The Declaration of Independence is today still an outstanding masterpiece. On June 10, 1776, Thomas Jefferson, of Virginia; John Adams, of Massachusetts; Benjamin Franklin, of Pennsylvania; Roger Sherman, of Connecticut, and Robert R. Livingston, of New York, were appointed as a committee to draw up a form of declaration. The task for writing it was assigned to Jefferson. Some paragraphs were deleted by the Committee and by Congress, but in the main it is in Jefferson's language. He wished that this article should not soon be forgotten, and today we know that the world will never forget the instrument that begins:

"When, in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth a separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and Nature's God entitle them, a de-

cent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation."

The second paragraph begins:

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness. That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed; that, whenever any Form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness."



Lack of space will not permit me to give the entire Declaration, but may I suggest that you read it again. It embodies much and covers fully the reasons for establishing our nation. One thing is particularly worthy of notice, and that is, The fact that from the very first paragraph to the last paragraph God is fully recognized. The last sentence reads, "And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes, and our sacred Honor."

There is a blessing pronounced on the nation whose God is the Lord. Up to the year 1776 the European powers seemed to use their colonies for what they could get out of them. England was using India to enrich herself. She was using her American colonies to enrich herself. Our fathers fought, not only for the principle that government should rest on the consent of the gov-

erned but also for the principle that government should be for the benefit of the governed; and the success of the American Revolution brought about a change in England's colonial policy. She changed her whole aspect toward her colonies, for considerably over half a century she has been administering her colonies more in the interest and for the benefit of the colonies themselves, and she has been growing rich by the process.

Our forefathers believed in a great principle—government for the benefit of the governed. They declared their belief in it and appealed to the moral judgment of mankind and the favor of Almighty God for its support. Mankind said, "It is right"; and the appeal to the sense of right wrought the reformation. This is the reason why "one with God is in the majority."

A child can move a lever that will set an engine at work that carries 10,000 horsepower. Likewise a single moral reformer with a clear vision of the truth and a deep faith in the dormant truth in the hearts of men will move a spiritual lever and accomplish work which 10,000 angel-power could not do.

Independence and Liberty Requires Submission and Obedience

Contrary to the opinions of some that independence and liberty means unrestricted freedom to believe and do as one may please, liberty and independence require submission and obedience to have true independence and true liberty. Law is everywhere; in fact, nothing is outside of law. While God is love, God is also law, for the entire heavens and all the universe is timed by an infinite hand. We can never escape law. Science shows us that the law of gravitation binds the molecules of the smallest atom together, as well as the planets in their various spheres.

We are told that chemical laws in the remotest burning sun are the laws we employ in our laboratories. Law is universal. It is absolute, uniform, is never set aside. Although sometimes violated, it is never overturned, destroyed, or truly nullified. We may express it this way: Law is an expression of the will of the superior who has power, or is supposed to have power to enforce that will on others. If he has no such authority, his will is not law. A doctor visiting a sick child, may say, "You have been working too hard, sleeping too little. You ought to go to bed every night at eight o'clock." That is advice; but when the father says, "My child, you heard what the doctor said, and you must go to bed every night at eight o'clock," that is not advice; that is law. The father is supposed to have authority to enforce it.

Our statesmen said that we should conserve gasoline. This, however, was not law until it was ordered by our Government that individuals consume only limited amounts. That is law, and you can readily see that the victories, the liberties, and the independence for which the Allies are struggling call for obedience to laws of conservation. This is, of course, only an insignificant part of the great cost of independence, liberty and victory.

It is estimated that the cost of this war is approximately \$50,000 for every (Continued on page 18)

Independence

E. C. Clark, Editor and Publisher

Text: "Blessed is that nation whose God is the Lord," Psalms 33:12.

INTRODUCTION

BY actual experience and by observation during such times of experimental trials and testings, the Psalmist was in good position to exclaim the blessedness of having the

true and living God as Lord and head of the nation of Israel. Certainly the fallacy of idol gods and their entire helplessness had been revealed to Israel again and again. Not only was the history of the Israelitish nation studied with brilliant victories attributed to Jehovah, but the history of the Church has radiated with the brilliancy of the triumph of the cross of Jesus Christ.

Pursuit

The Word of God had provided record of divine help and deliverance in time of trouble and whether in times of the Old Testament or in those times this side of Calvary, there have always been those who have experienced

the blessedness of serving God. Because this is true, and that there was oppression and bondage in Europe and England, both politically and spiritually, those early pilgrims to the shores of the United States came for freedom and refuge. In search of religious liberty and freedom, weary pilgrims approached the boundaries of our great virgin country to establish for themselves such religious and political opportunities as they longed to have as their own. To accomplish a full realization of this religious freedom and political security

The Declaration of Independence

Was a grave necessity. Therefore, to obtain and to perpetuate such privileges of human freedom and of religion, thought and happiness for home and state, there was a gradual shift from primary economic policy to that of a general drift toward independence, though somewhat unintentional until near the close of 1775. North Carolina was the first colony to give official countenance to separation as a solution of colonial grievances. This was done April 12, 1776, by authorizing its delegates in Congress to join with others in an effort to bring the declaration to an

end. Virginia was the first colony to instruct its delegates to the actual initiative, and in accordance with such instructions, on May 15 voted to that end. Richard Henry Lee, on June 7, moved a resolution "that these United Colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent States." John Adams of Massachusetts seconded the motion, and though there were those who contended the public was not ready for such a move, it remained that a committee was appointed for further consideration of a resolution for presentation to Congress.

This committee consisted of Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Roger Sherman and Robert R. Livingston. Jefferson was responsible for the actual preparation of the "resolution" of declaration of independence which was submitted to Congress on July 2 and which was adopted by a vote of twelve states, ten of which voted unanimously. "Congress adopted the resolution of independence; and on the 4th, Jefferson's Declaration." The 4th has always been the day celebrated, the decisive act of the 2nd being quite forgotten in the memory of the day on which that act was published to the world. "Independence Day" is a holiday in all the United States and territories of the United States.

Its Meaning

Was a declaration of those principles for which states adopting it believed and desired to put into practice as a safeguard to our nation. Not only is this true so far as the nation is concerned, but it is equally true relative to the well being of each individual constituent of this country. The right of trial by jury is one of the outstanding features of the Constitution which has given insurance of fairness to the accused. Even those Germans which landed last year for the purpose of sabotage in our industries were allowed days of legal cavil in which it looked like we couldn't even try an "invader" in time of war, because we were so determined to be fair with those who were either legally or illegally found within our borders of jurisdiction. Such provision, while providing safety and protection to its constituents, can by lack of strictness to protect this freedom from injustice, do much harm by negligence under the guise of pretended liberty of rights. What, however, has meant most to our nation and to each individual comprising this great commonwealth, is not the right of trial by jury alone, but the right to worship God according to the dictates of our own conscience. While not guaranteed under all circumstances, it is a thing lawfully within our right of exercise under reasonable and properly provided conditions and circumstances. Because of our religious lib-

erties the ministry of Christ has been more bold to effect the gospel under varied circumstances, realizing not only the opportunity of the gospel but the right to live and to preach it.

Our True Greatness

Came as a result of the deep-rooted religious conviction and experience of the forefathers of our nation. So deeply embedded was religion as a moral and spiritual force within our family circle that it was markedly manifest in public relations and courts of law. Therefore, under God this nation became great; the deep emotion of the Holy Spirit which permeated the parental heart and no less much of those of public life, reflected Christian privileges and opportunities to an appreciable and noted extent. We must not, however, overlook the fact that no nation is right of itself alone. Lest we forget that those principles for which our nation has labored and desired, we will do well to remember that our nation has been engaged in many great wars. War was the price paid for our great freedom, which has all the while been maintained by defense of arms. In this present conflagration of bloodshed and disaster, our nation is pledged to the great task of ridding ourselves and our allies of encroachment and trespass of wicked men and their deceptive devices. Difficult though the task may be, it remains that freedom and religious liberty is, after all, all that is worth while.

The 4th of July has been marked by many great celebrations of our great democracy and religious rights. It has also been a great day in wars of the past. In 1861, July 4 was the first day of the extra session of Congress, with eight states represented. On July 4, 1863, Vicksburg surrendered to General Grant. The Federal forces also won at Gettysburg on July 4. July 4, 1864, Grant was driving Lee back. On July 4, 1898, we were notified that Cervera's entire Spanish fleet had been destroyed off Santiago by the United States fleet. On July 4, 1918, our forces were very busy driving back the Hindenburg line. Our nation is more than busy now, but will have greater victory to report before the 4th of July actually rolls around.

If God

Had not been on our side, or if we had not been on His side we would have suffered the fate of bondage and hardship. Let me emphasize here, that unless God guides us as a nation, and unless we make room for God in our present plans of war, and later at the peace table, we will have fought this war in vain. The divine right must be acknowledged, and obeyed. We must invoke the guidance of almighty God. If we are to be able to insure and to perpetuate the blessings of liberty and righteousness. Unless we maintain our democracy of freedom and government for the people and by the people, guided by the hand of God, we will have lost all that we profess to be fighting for. If this conquest is not for the preservation of our God-given institutions, then we have no purpose in war. If on the other hand, through political bickering and laxity we allow these institutions to be

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Display and Use of the Flag of the United States

Mr. HOBBS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's desk House Joint Resolution 359, to amend Public Law 623, Seventy-seventh Congress, entitled "Joint resolution to codify and emphasize existing rules and customs pertaining to the display and use of the flag of the United States of America," with Senate amendment thereto and concur in the Senate amendment.

The Clerk read the title of the joint resolution.

The Clerk read the Senate amendment as follows:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

"That Public Law No. 623, approved June 22, 1942, entitled 'Joint resolution to codify and emphasize existing rules and customs pertaining to the display and use of the flag of the United States of America,' be, and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows:

"That the following codification of existing rules and customs pertaining to the display and use of the flag of the United States of America be, and it is hereby, established for the use of such civilians or civilian groups or organizations as may not be required to conform with regulations promulgated by one or more executive departments of the Government of the United States.

"Sec. 2. (a) It is the universal custom to display the flag only from sunrise to sunset on buildings and on stationary flagstaves in the open. However, the flag may be displayed at night upon special occasions when it is desired to produce a patriotic effect.

"(b) The flag should be hoisted briskly and lowered ceremoniously.

"(c) The flag should not be displayed on days when the weather is inclement.

"(d) The flag should be displayed on all days when the weather permits, especially on New Year's Day, January 1; Inauguration Day, January 20; Lincoln's Birthday, February 12; Washington's Birthday, February 22; Army Day, April 6; Easter Sunday (variable); Mother's Day, second Sunday in May; Memorial Day (half staff until noon), May 30; Flag Day, June 14; Independence Day, July 4; Labor Day, first Monday in September; Constitution Day, September 17; Columbus Day, October 12; Navy Day, October 27; Armistice Day, November 11; Thanksgiving Day, fourth Thursday in November; Christmas Day, December 25; such other days as may be proclaimed by the President of the United States, the birthdays of States (dates of admission); and on State holidays.

"(e) The flag should be displayed daily, weather permitting, on or near the main administration building of every public institution.

"(f) The flag should be displayed in or near every polling place on election days.

"(g) The flag should be displayed during school days in or near every schoolhouse.

"Sec. 3. That the flag, when carried in a procession with another flag or flags, should be either on the marching right; that is, the flag's own right, or, if there is a line of other flags, in front of the center of that line.

"(a) The flag should not be displayed on a float in a parade except from a staff, or as provided in subsection (i).

"(b) The flag should not be draped over the hood, top, sides, or back of a vehicle or of a railroad train or a boat. When the flag is displayed on a motorcar, the staff shall be fixed firmly to the chassis or clamped to the radiator cap.

"(c) No other flag or pennant should be placed above or, if on the



same level, to the right of the flag of the United States of America, except during church services conducted by naval chaplains at sea, when the church pennant may be flown above the flag during church services for the personnel of the Navy.

"(d) The flag of the United States of America, when it is displayed with another flag against a wall from crossed staffs, should be on the right, the flag's own right, and its staff should be in front of the staff of the other flag.

"(e) The flag of the United States of America should be at the center and at the highest point of the group when a number of flags of States or localities or pennants of societies are grouped and displayed from staffs.

"(f) When flags of states, cities, or localities, or pennants of societies are flown on the same halyard with

the flag of the United States, the latter should always be at the peak. When the flags are flown from adjacent staffs, the flag of the United States should be hoisted first and lowered last. No such flag or pennant may be placed above the flag of the United States or to the right of the flag of the United States.

"(g) When flags of two or more nations are displayed, they are to be flown from separate staffs of the same height. The flags should be of approximately equal size. International usage forbids the display of the flag of one nation above that of another nation in time of peace.

"(h) When the flag of the United States is displayed from a staff projecting horizontally or at an angle from the window sill, balcony, or front of a building, the union of the flag should be placed at the peak of the staff unless the flag is at half staff. When the flag is suspended over a sidewalk from a rope extending from a house to a pole at the edge of the sidewalk, the flag should be hoisted out, union first, from the building.

"(i) When the flag is displayed otherwise than by being flown from a staff, it should be displayed flat, whether indoors or out, or so suspended that its folds fall as free as though the flag were staffed.

"(j) When the flag is displayed over the middle of the street, it should be suspended vertically with the union to the north in an east and west street or to the east in a north and south street.

"(k) When used on a speaker's platform, the flag, if displayed flat, should be displayed above and behind the speaker. When displayed from a staff in a church or public auditorium, if it is displayed in the chancel of a church, or on the speaker's platform in a public auditorium, the flag should occupy the position of honor and be placed at the clergyman's or speaker's right as he faces the congregation or audience. Any other flag so displayed in the chancel or on the platform should be placed at the clergyman's or speaker's left as he faces the congregation or audience. But when the flag is displayed from a staff in a church or public auditorium elsewhere than in the chancel or on the platform it shall be placed in the position of honor at the right of the congregation or audience as they face the chancel or platform. Any other flag so displayed should be placed on the left of the congregation or audience as they face the chancel or platform.

"(l) The flag should form a distinctive feature of the ceremony of unveiling a statue or monument, but it should never be used as the covering for the statue or monument.

"(m) The flag, when flown at half staff, should be first hoisted to the peak for an instant and then lowered to the half-staff position. The flag

should be again raised to the peak before it is lowered for the day. By "half staff" is meant lowering the flag to one-half the distance between the top and bottom of the staff. Crepe streamers may be affixed to spearheads or flagstaves in a parade only by order of the President of the United States.

"(n) When the flag is used to cover a casket, it should be so placed that the union is at the head and over the left shoulder. The flag should not be lowered into the grave or allowed to touch the ground.

"Sec. 4. That no disrespect should be shown to the flag of the United States of America, the flag should not be dipped to any person or thing. Regimental colors, State flags, and organization or institutional flags are to be dipped as a mark of honor.

"(a) The flag should never be displayed with the union down save as a signal of dire distress.

"(b) The flag should never touch anything beneath it, such as the ground, the floor, water, or merchandise.

"(c) The flag should never be carried flat or horizontally, but always aloft and free.

"(d) The flag should never be used as drapery of any sort whatsoever, never festooned, drawn back, nor up, in folds, but always allowed to fall free. Bunting of blue, white, and red, always arranged with the blue above, the white in the middle, and the red below, should be used for covering a speaker's desk, draping the front of a platform, and for decoration in general.

"(e) The flag should never be fastened, displayed, used, or stored in such a manner as will permit it to be easily torn, soiled, or damaged in any way.

"(f) The flag should never be used as a covering for a ceiling.

"(g) The flag should never have placed upon it, nor on any part of it, nor attached to it any mark, insignia, letter, word, figure, design, picture, or drawing of any nature.

"(h) The flag should never be used as a receptacle for receiving, holding, carrying, or delivering anything.

"(i) The flag should never be used

for advertising purposes in any manner whatsoever. It should not be embroidered on such articles as cushions or handkerchiefs and the like, printed or otherwise impressed on paper napkins or boxes or anything that is designed for temporary use and discard; or used as any portion of a costume or athletic uniform. Advertising signs should not be fastened to a staff or halyard from which the flag is flown.

"(j) The flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning.

"Sec. 5. That during the ceremony of hoisting or lowering the flag or when the flag is passing in a parade or in a review, all persons present should face the flag, stand at attention, and salute. Those present in uniform should render the military salute. When not in uniform, men should remove the headdress with the right hand, holding it at the left shoulder, the hand being over the heart. Men without hats should salute in the same manner. Aliens should stand at attention. Women should salute by placing the right hand over the heart. The salute to the flag in the moving column should be rendered at the moment the flag passes.

"Sec. 6. That when the national anthem is played and the flag is not displayed, all present should stand and face toward the music. Those in uniform should salute at the first note of the anthem, retaining this position until the last note. All others should stand at attention, men removing the headdress. When the flag is displayed all present should face the flag and salute.

"Sec. 7. That the pledge of allegiance to the flag, "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation indivisible, with liberty and justice for all," be rendered by standing with the right hand over the heart. However, civilians will always show full respect to the flag when the pledge is given by merely standing at attention, men removing the headdress. Persons in uniform shall render the military salute."

tatives of eight of the original thirteen colonies. Again in May of 1787, the Federal Convention met here, and on September 17 of that year, Governor Morris was the final signer of our Constitution, which for 153 years has served as the foundation of American government, a document which Gladstone was to refer to as "the most wonderful work ever struck off at a given time by the brain and purpose of man."

Washington, Franklin, Jefferson, Adams, Madison, Hamilton—all those early men whose names will forever be deathless in the nation's memory—walked these halls, climbed these same stairs, used these same chairs, labored, counselled and worked together that a nation might be born, and a political edifice upreared on a platform of liberty and equal rights for all men. The old brick building has well earned its affectionate title, "The Cradle of Liberty." The ground on which it stands will forever be sacred to the heart of every American patriot.

Independence Hall was designed by Andrew Hamilton, a Philadelphian and a lawyer. It was begun in 1732 as the state house for the county of Pennsylvania. It was first occupied, while still unfinished, by the Assembly in October, 1736. The building was finally completed in 1741, the tower added in 1750, and the famous Liberty Bell installed in 1753. Thirty-nine years from the date of its first occupancy, May 10, 1775, the Second Continental Congress convened. In the next few years, Philadelphia was the capital of the infant nation, and the most momentous events of the succeeding twelve years were destined to take place within these walls.

Liberty seems dearer now than at any time since the days of '76. May the spirit of that gallant time be reborn in us, that we may guard well our priceless heritage.

Trusting God for Healing

This still finds me trusting God for the healing of my body. It has been nine months and six days since I've walked a step. Sometimes I feel mighty blue, but I thank God for what He is to me today. It will soon be twenty-nine years since I first got the baptism of the Holy Ghost and I've made several mistakes since then. Glory to God, I'm proud that I can praise the Lord. I'm trying to live such a life that the preacher can look down at my face and say, "There is a brother who died in the faith." I intend to trust Him to the end and I hope that won't be long.

Everyone who reads this, please write me a card or letter. I am praying to the Lord to give me more faith. If I keep living you may find another testimony in the Evangel. — Your brother, W. A. Smith, Enid, Miss.

Those who cry to God often can laugh at the devil when he calls.

Cradle of Liberty

ON the corner of Fifth and Chestnut Streets in Philadelphia, in a little park called Independence Square, stands a famous old red brick building that is aptly known as "The Cradle of Liberty." No other building in America has occupied so important a place in our history, no more momentous events are connected with our birth as a nation, than those which took place in these halls.

Here on May 10, 1775, the Second Continental Congress met. Upon these floors John Adams rose that same year to propose George Washington

for Commander-in-Chief of the newly created Continental Army. Here, on July 4, 1776, the Declaration of Independence was adopted, and from this belfry a famous bronze bell rang out its immortal message, proclaiming liberty throughout the land and a new experiment in democracy to the nations of the earth.

Our flag of thirteen stars and stripes was adopted by Congress in these halls, June 14, 1777. On July 9, 1778, the Articles of Confederation and perpetual union between the states were signed here by represen-



By R. HUFF

The Holy Ghost is the third person of the Trinity and works in harmony with the Father and Son. Each of these have had their dispensation. The Old Testament records the dispensation of the Father; of how God dealt with man and how He spoke face to face with Moses and gave him the law which was written by the finger of God. God spoke to Abraham and told him to get out of that country unto a land that He would show him. He also spoke directly to the prophets, and they went forth and spoke with authority and said, "Thus saith the Lord." At last the Lord began to speak to the prophets of another dispensation, "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace." Then as these prophecies went forth by the mouth of God's holy anointed, the people began to look forward to a new dispensation in which Israel could be redeemed. But there was more to it than just the Prince of Peace coming (which was Jesus) to set in order His earthly kingdom; the prophets told of His suffering and cruel death, also of His resurrection and ascension. Let us notice some of Christ's teachings on the Holy Ghost.

What John Thought About Jesus

John the Baptist is the first Holy Ghost preacher that we read about. It seems that he was born for a special work, and that special work was to be a forerunner of Jesus, therefore, he was filled with the Holy Ghost from his birth. John not only preached the baptism of repentance, but also the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Matt. 3:11. "I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire." St. John 1:32, 33. "And John bear record, saying, I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it abode upon him. And I knew him not: but he that sent me to

baptize with water, the same said unto me, Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending and remaining on him, the same is he which baptizeth with the Holy Ghost." John was able only to minister unto them "water baptism," but he pointed to Christ, the one who baptizeth with the Holy Ghost and fire. John's name, at the beginning, was not John the Baptist, but when the angel brought Zacharias, his father, word that his wife, Elizabeth, should bear a son, the angel said, "His name shall be called John," but when he began baptizing in water and preaching the baptism of the Holy Ghost he was called "John the Baptist."

The Comforter and His Mission

The dispensation of the Son was short, but during this time Jesus taught His followers many things, and about the time His mission was fulfilled, He told them about His going away. Their hearts were made heavy and no doubt they began to tell Him their love for Him, and that they could not do without Him. St. John 14:16, "And I will pray the Father and he will give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you forever." In other words, He will not leave you like I have, but will stay with you forever. Also verse 26 says, "But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you." We see by this scripture that the Comforter, about which He was speaking, was the Holy Ghost. St. John 15:26, 27, "But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me: And ye also shall bear witness because ye have been with me from the beginning." St. John 16:7, 8, 12, 13, "Nevertheless I tell you the truth, it is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. And when he is come he will reprove the world of sin and of righteousness, and of judgment. I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear that shall he speak: and he shall shew you things to come."

His Mission in the World

The Holy Ghost is referred to as a teacher. John said that He (the Holy Ghost) would "teach us" all things. 1 John 2:27, "But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it has taught you, ye shall abide in him." The Holy Ghost is a real teacher. The

writer here was referring to "false" teachers, of which some had denied the Lord Jesus Christ and some had denied the Father. John said, "He that denieth that Jesus is the Christ is an antichrist." Paul said, "We speak not in words which man's wisdom teacheth but which the Holy Ghost teacheth: comparing spiritual things with spiritual." God has anointed men with the Holy Ghost and has set them in the Church as teachers, and that is the Holy Ghost teaching us through His anointed. Also we who have received the Holy Ghost, as the Bible teaches it, may be taught directly by the Holy Ghost. As Peter prayed on the housetop he was permitted to look into heaven and saw the vision, and while Peter thought on the vision the Spirit said unto him, "Arise therefore and get thee down, and go with them doubting nothing: for I have sent them." We notice here that the Spirit spake to him telling him not to doubt. Peter was a man filled with the Holy Ghost.

Cornelius was a good man, feared God and gave much alms, but was not filled with the Holy Ghost. But God sent an angel to tell him what to do that he might receive the Holy Ghost. So Peter went as the Spirit had bidden him, and came to the house of Cornelius. Then Peter opened his mouth and said, "Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: But in every nation he that feareth him and worketh righteousness is accepted with him." He went on and preached Jesus unto them and told them how God had anointed Jesus with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed of the devil, for God was with him. "While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word."

Also the Spirit spoke to Philip, "Go near and join thyself to the chariot," and Philip was so impressed by the Spirit that he ran to him. He was reading a prophecy concerning Jesus, and Philip began to teach him about Jesus. The Holy Ghost is to "lead men in the right path" and in the way of truth, and the result was, the eunuch believed on Jesus and was baptized.

Gives Power

Luke 24:49, "And behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem until ye be endued with power from on high." Acts 1:8, "But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea and in Samaria and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

Yes, Christ Himself needed the Holy Ghost. One of the writers stated that Jesus returned from Jordan, full of the Holy Ghost, and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness. And he stood the bomb shells of the devil for

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Healing from God

By E. B. Thomas

In my last article I discussed "Is It God's Will To Heal All." This week I am discussing, first,

THE HEALER

Psa. 107:20, "He sent his word, and healed them." David is telling us here about God's Word healing. Let us see who is the Word. St. John 1:14, "And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth." John says the Word is the only begotten of the Father, made flesh and full of grace and truth. St. Matt. 3:17, "And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." So Jesus, the only begotten Son, was made flesh that our sick and afflicted bodies might be healed. The life, sufferings, and death of Jesus opened a channel whereby our bodies could get the same consideration as our souls. If you do not believe what I say, listen at this: 1 Peter 2:24, "Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed." How can you doubt when it is so plain in the Bible? O ye of little faith, don't you believe that God answers prayer? If you do, just ask in simple faith, believing that God is the great I AM and you will be healed.

God is no respecter of persons. He will hear you regardless of your age, or social standing. You may be rich, living sumptuously every day, or so poor you can't buy shoes for your children, but God is still on the throne. Just meet Him in prayer, confessing, believing, and He will forgive and heal. Shame on Christians for not having enough faith to be healed.

Recorded in chapter 8 of the Gospel of St. Luke is a lesson of a woman who was sick with an issue of blood for twelve years. She didn't stay at home, and try home remedies only but she went to the best physicians she could find. She spent all her living and instead of getting better she grew worse. Just think! sick for twelve years, spent every dime she could get, trying to get well, but she was not healed. One day she heard about a man that was going around opening the eyes of the blind, unstopping deaf ears, and healing all that came to Him in faith. Her faith increased, so she purposed in her heart that she was going to see this man Jesus, about whom she had heard so much. The nearer she got to Jesus, the greater her faith increased, until she believed if she could only touch the border of His garment she would be made whole. Isn't that great faith! There were so many people around Jesus that it looked as if she would be unable to even get close enough to speak to Him. But she didn't stop. She pressed her way until finally she

reached out and touched the hem of His garment and immediately her issue of blood stanchd. Jesus knew right then that someone had touched Him. All denied the charge. Even Peter said that with this great throng of people any one might have touched Him. But Jesus knew that faith had touched Him, because He perceived that virtue had gone out of His body. The woman could hide herself no longer, so she came and fell at His feet and explained before the people how she had been sick so long and now after touching His garment, was healed. Notice the words of Jesus in St. Luke 8:48, "And he said unto her, Daughter, be of good comfort: thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace." I am now made to think of the words of that old hymn, "'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus; just to prove Him o'er and o'er." If you are sick, why not put your trust in Him? He will be more than glad to heal you.

In the seventh chapter of St. Luke, a crushed mother followed behind the dead body of her only son. She was so sad; she would soon see her darling boy placed in the cold, cold ground to await the resurrection. She had forgotten that the Lord said He was a present help in time of trouble. Instead of thinking of the Lord, she was carrying her own load. We should not do that, but should give God a chance to help us. When Jesus met this woman on His way to the city, He had compassion on her. He said unto her, "Weep not." Then He turned to the dead body and said, "Young man, I say unto thee, Arise." Verse 15, "And he that was dead sat up, and began to speak. And he delivered him to his mother."

Mothers, have you been praying for the spiritual resurrection of your sons and daughters? Just believe God and He will save. If they are sick in body, He will heal them. After the resurrection of this young man, they had a revival. The people began to glorify God because of His great power.

In the fourth chapter of St. John, a nobleman came to Jesus in behalf of his son that was at the point of death in Capernaum. Regardless of how noble you are, there come times you need the help of almighty God, so why not live to please Him? Jesus told the nobleman, "Except ye see signs and wonders, ye will not believe," so he exercised faith and Jesus went home with him. When he met his servants, behold, they said, "Thy son liveth." Verses 52:53, "Then enquired he of them the hour when he began to amend. And they said unto him, Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him. So the father knew that it was at the same hour, in the which Jesus said unto him, Thy son liveth: and himself believed, and his whole house." Remember, it is God's will to heal all and Jesus Christ is the Healer.

Now let us see

HOW WE CAN OBTAIN OUR HEALING

In St. Matthew 17, just after Jesus came from the mountain where He had been transfigured before Peter, James, and John, a sad, broken-hearted father came kneeling before Him and from verse 15 I quote his words, "Lord, have mercy on my son: for he is lunatick, and sore vexed: for oftentimes he falleth into the fire, and oft into the water." Poor man! his son was possessed with a demon that would throw him around until his life was in danger. Mother and father lost sleep at night. They had to always be on the watch for fear harm would come to their son. A condition of this type in the home drives out sunshine and brings in sadness. This man was tired of this kind of life so he was out seeking divine help. Beloved, if you are sick, why not do as this man: look for someone who is able to help.

St. Matt. 28:18, "And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth." He has the power. Why not put your trust in Him? The father in our lesson first came to Jesus' disciples but they could not cure his son. You may say that this case proves these miracles were only performed by Christ Himself. If you will read the book of Acts you will see where the disciples did great things after the death of Christ, because Jesus promised to be with them alway. St. Matt. 28:20, "And, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." Since He went back to the Father He has been working through the Holy Spirit.

Only Jesus could help this lunatic. He cast the demon out and the boy was made whole. After the father had gone with his son, the disciples asked Jesus why they could not cure the young man. The answer was, "Because of your unbelief." How can we receive faith to cast out demons? St. Matt. 17:21, "Howbeit this kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting." That is what we are doing, fasting and praying that God will perform miracles and work with signs and wonders. Do you believe in fasting?

Once the scribes and Pharisees came to Jesus inquiring why His disciples did not fast. Inasmuch as the Pharisees and the disciples of John the Baptist were obedient in fasting, they thought His disciples should also be obedient. I quote the words of Jesus in St. Mark 2:19, 20, "And Jesus said unto them, Can the children of the bridechamber fast while the bridegroom is with them? as long as they have the bridegroom with them, they cannot fast. But the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken away from them, and then shall they fast in those days." God wants us to

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Why Preach and Practice Divine Healing Today?

SGT. GLENN EASON

If the Lord Jesus were to come to earth today and call all Protestant preachers together and ask them, "Why don't you preach and practice divine healing?" I wonder if they would give Him the same answer they do their churches today. Would that famous preacher tell the Lord the same thing he is telling the world—that divine healing was to get the early Church started and that we don't need it today for the Church is established? With all the excuses we could all give, we still have the books of the Bible which will stand against us. I can see Christ open the Word of God and read to us Matt. 23:20, "Observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." He no doubt would repeat those famous words, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to all creatures." Divine healing is part of the gospel and is one of the things He commanded us to do. The 16th chapter of Mark says, "These signs shall follow them that believe." You know them. One of them is this, "They shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover."

Beloved, this is the Word of God and we must accept it as well as feet washing and the rest we stand so strongly on. Here are a few scriptures that will remind us what Christ taught and did when He was on earth. If He taught this, then we are to follow in His footsteps. Acts 10:38. Wherever Jesus went He both taught and healed. If the Lord taught and healed, then we today are to do both wherever we go.

Let us call your attention to Mark 6:12, 13, "And they went out, and preached that men should repent. And they cast out many devils, and anointed with oil many that were sick, and healed them." This is when Christ sent out the twelve two by two and they preached and healed the sick. Then we should do the same today. Aren't we all called by God? Maybe we are like King Asa was when he got into trouble—he called on God to deliver him, but when he was diseased in his feet he called not on God but man (the doctor) and he died and was buried. Are you like that today, preacher? I have seen many who were. May God help us. You may say, "Preacher, you had better not preach healing so strongly for all you pray for don't get healed." Neither do all the sinners I preach to get saved. Well, why heal them, anyway, they will get sick again and die? sometime, anyway. Well, every one Christ healed got sick again and died also. Then what is healing for mostly, anyway? It is to strengthen our faith in God, also to prove to the unbelievers and the sinners that our God is the true and living God. Glory to God! Why did Christ let Lazarus die before He came? It was to strengthen their faith and ours today also. We have

more faith in His power and His resurrecting power at His second coming. Bless His holy name! Divine healing will draw a crowd and give the preacher a larger group of sinners to whom to preach the gospel. Peter and John went up to the temple to pray and by the gate sat a crippled beggar. You know the story, how he was healed. Well, it drew a crowd. Peter saw a chance to preach the gospel. Hundreds were saved. There is a preacher in Oklahoma, not a Church of God preacher either, who is considered a poor preacher, but yet he draws overflowing crowds. Why? Because in his revivals he preaches divine healing and has results. I believe we should have a healing service after the song service every night in a revival. I believe we would have larger crowds and many more converts, don't you? Sure, all you pray for won't get healed. When Christ healed the man at the pool, were there any others there healed? Didn't He tell the man this, "Sin no more lest a worse thing come upon you"? I can't find a place in the Bible where we are promised to be healed unless we confess our sins and faults and sin no more. We are also commanded to obey God. Remember what James said about it. We must not refuse to walk in the light as it shines on us.

Let us have the faith as little Sigrid of Norway. I will give you her testimony as she told it herself. Sigrid was seven, going to school in Norway, Oslo the city. Coming down the steps one day she was pushed down. A few days later she was in bed and paralyzed on one side from the bruise on her hip. Her hair came out on that

side. Her leg stopped growing on that side. She, like the woman with the issue of blood, spent much for relief from man but got worse. She was given up to die. Sand bags were put to her leg to keep it straight. One day she was reading in Isaiah 53. She called her mother and said, "Jesus bore our pain and sickness as well as our sins." Brother, how true that is. Let us tell the world that too. Then she asked her mother, "Do I still need to be sick?" A few days later she read in Matthew 9 where Christ healed every sickness and every disease. She called her mother again and said, "Is Jesus the same today as when He was on earth?" Her mother replied, "He will come in His own time." She thought her mother said that He will come when He has time. She thought He was busy and would come and heal her when He had time. She had her dress hung on the bed so when He came she could get up and dress. One day while alone in bed a light shined in the room and a voice said, "Sigrid, you are healed; get up." She replied, "But these bags are to my leg." At once they fell off. She got up and dressed and looked. Both legs were the same size. She had not walked in about three years. Her mother and Sigrid walked two miles to show the doctor what the Lord had done. Doctors all around came and saw her. Later she became a missionary to China, after attending Moody Bible Institute in Chicago. She got a furlough to go home to Oslo, Norway. There she met Miss Malla Moe, widely-known missionary to Africa, also from Norway. Miss Malla Moe was crippled. Miss Moe told her she wished she had the faith that a little girl she read about while she was in Africa. The girl's name was Sigrid Berg. Sigrid said, "I am that person, only now I am Mrs. Sigrid Vatsas, better known as the missionary Mrs. K. Vatsas. Two years later Miss Moe was healed and today is in Africa again.

PRaise GOD! JESUS HEALeD ME OF CONSUMPTION

Jesus answered the many prayers that went up for me while I was so low with consumption and other ailments which doctors and medicine could not cure or heal. I had lots of them and was dying fast.

Even doctors did not know how much I suffered, smothered and choked. Blood and corruption would run up in my mouth. Odd Fellows would stay with me at night. They well know this, as many other friends do. I got so low I would call Dr. M. M. Lawrence several times each day. He was good to me and so tenderhearted. I also had seven other doctors. Some just said I could not live many days, which I well knew long before any doctor or anyone else told me.

Brother H. E. Pruitt and Brother E. Lyle Harvey conducted me to the sanatorium in Louisville where Dr. Paul A. Turner, T. B. specialist, X-rayed my lungs and sent me back home and his letter to Dr. M. M. Lawrence shows what he thought. He told Dr. Lawrence to put four pounds of shot over each of my lungs, which he did,

though I was about to pass from this world to the great beyond from whence no traveler ever returns.

When I took my dear old Bible and read where Jesus caused the lame to walk, the blind to see, the deaf to hear, and healed all manner of diseases, and raised the dead, I said, "I will take Jesus for my physician and healer." So I threw off the shot and poured out all the medicines I had and quit all doctors on April 27, 1941, and called on all Christians to pray for me, which several hundred did. They wrote me from many states, also many came to my bedside and prayed for me . . . some were very old and would walk several miles across creeks and hills, in mud and rain. Praise God for them. I don't have space to call all their names. Jesus has their names recorded in heaven for He answered their prayers and healed me. Praise God!

I have gained over forty pounds and am telling all that Jesus healed me of T. B. Any in doubt can come and see.—B. H. Hall, Jamestown, Ky.

There is none so poor as the one who has no Christ.

LIFTING UP JESUS

By ZELLA EARTHART, Evangelist

Text, St. John 12:32, "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me."

Most every one has read in the Word of God how the children of Israel were in bondage in Egypt and were sorely oppressed by King Pharaoh, but God chose Moses to deliver them and sent plagues upon the Egyptians to show His power. When Moses lifted his rod the water was turned into blood. God sent the frogs, lice, flies, a murrain in the beasts, hail, locusts, and darkness that could be felt, but every time Pharaoh hardened his heart and would not let the people go. Then God told Moses that the death angel would pass over Egypt and take the first-born out of every home. He said for the children of Israel to kill a lamb, dip a hyssop in the blood and strike it on the lintel and the side posts of the door, and when the death angel passed over Egypt and saw the blood he would pass over that house. Exod. 12:21-23. After the first-born of all Egypt died, both of men and beast, then Pharaoh let the children of Israel go. They came to the Red Sea with a mountain on each side. Pharaoh sent his horsemen, chariots and horses to pursue them and bring them back, so Moses stretched forth his hand over the sea and the Lord parted the sea and the children of Israel went across on dry land. Pharaoh's army tried to follow them and were drowned in the sea. The children of Israel cried for bread and God gave them manna from heaven, which was like wafers made with honey. They wanted meat and God gave them quails to eat. They wanted water and God gave them water out of a rock. Then they murmured and complained.

There are many people in the world today like the children of Israel. God has done many wonderful things for them. He gave the best things He had in heaven, His only begotten Son, to die on the cross for the sins of the whole world. He has healed their bodies and supplied their needs and then they murmur and complain.

Turn with me to the 21st chapter of Numbers, beginning at the 4th verse, "And they journeyed from

mount Hor by the way of the Red Sea, to compass the land of Edom: and the soul of the people was much discouraged because of the way. And the people spake against God, and against Moses, Wherefore have ye brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? for there is no bread, neither is there any water; and our soul loatheth this light bread. And the Lord sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people; and much people of Israel died. Therefore the people came to Moses, and said, We have sinned, for we have spoken against the Lord, and against thee; pray unto the Lord, that he take away the serpents from us. And Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said unto Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent, and set it upon a pole: and it shall come to pass, that every one that is bitten, when he looketh upon it, shall live. And Moses made a serpent of brass, and put it upon a pole, and it came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass, he lived."

In the 3rd chapter of John, when Nicodemus came to Jesus by night inquiring the way of life, Jesus quoted to him the 14th verse, "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life."

The serpent lifted up on a pole was a type of Christ being lifted up on Calvary's cross. Good Friday commemorates when Christ was crucified for your sins and mine and for the whole world. Have you been bitten by the fiery serpent? Many have been bitten and do not realize it. There is the bite of jealousy, that green-eyed monster; the bite of envy; the bite of criticism; the bite of hatred, and many, many others. John said, "Behold the lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world," John 1:29. If any of these things are in your life, all you need to do is to look away to Calvary and live, for Jesus said, "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me." May God bless you.

Girls, beware of the wine cup! Society may offer it to you. Scorn to touch it. Never defile your lips with intoxicating drink or offer it to another. There's danger. *Beware!*

Girls, sign the pledge! It will prove a safeguard and blessing to you and to others.

Girls, maintain your self-respect! Let it be evident by your habits of life, your choice of friends, and your daily occupation.

Girls, get ready for citizenship! It is your inheritance, and it is coming to you. Study to know the duties and responsibilities of a citizen, and be ready to accept your God-given right.

Girls, this life is brief, but the one that follows is endless. Get ready for eternity by accepting Christ as your Saviour.

Girls, enrich your lives by loving service! Do something regularly and systematically that will add to the comfort and welfare of others.—Publisher Unknown.

HOW A MOHAMMEDAN FOUND THE WAY OF LIFE

By Matilda Mary Wailing, of Algiers

A true son of the desert, wild and unkempt, doubles up his six feet of height into astonishingly small compass as he crouches on the mat. His poor brain is dulled by drugs and drinks, yet he is a mystic, a seeker after God; a search, which, alas! in the Moslem world is often carried on side by side with every moral excess.

But one bit of truth has penetrated into the dark heart: "There is only one God," he says, "therefore there can be only one Way. I must find the one Way. For years I have asked our own teachers and others to help me and no one has. Show me the one Way. He cannot have more than one."

The beautiful "I am the Way" does not touch him, and day after day he crouches before us with hungry eyes and says sadly, "Only one Way. Cannot you show me that I may walk in it?"

Nothing helps, and we pray on for him. Then one day he is taught to pray:

"Lord, give me light to do Thy will, For only, Lord, from Thee can come the Light"

By which these eyes the Way of Light may see."

Next day God gives him light through the last verse of the third of John: "He that believeth on the Son (word most hard for Moslem minds) hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him."

The Spirit himself was teaching him that day, so very few human words were said. The puzzled, weary look changes to one of rapturous joy as he breathes out, "I do believe in the Son of God."

Then like a happy child he looks up with, "I knew He could only have one Way."

PRAISES TO GOD

ELKINS, W. Va.—We praise the Lord and thank all the dear folks who prayed and were interested in our son when his right arm was paralyzed, and for sending the anointed handkerchief. His arm was healed almost immediately after we placed the handkerchief on his body. Thanks for a God who still answers prayer.—Mrs. Leora Long Shumaker, Rt. 1.

GLOBE, Ariz.—Thank God for sending Sister Myrtle E. Mushegan our way. My husband and I were sinners. We smoked and drank for twenty years. God saved, sanctified and filled us with the Holy Ghost. Our whole family of seven is now going on with the Lord.—Mildred Dugan.

Those whose hearts are full of love always have a good deposit in heaven's bank.

AN ELDER SISTER'S ADVICE TO GIRLS

Girls, have high ideals! Be satisfied with only the best you can obtain of education and culture.

Girls, dress sensibly and modestly! Have a care for your body for the sake of its sacred functions. The modestly-attired young woman is always complimented, while the striking or décolleté attire is ever a subject of criticism.

Girls, avoid slang! The language you use is an index of your character. "Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh." Nothing adds so much to the charm of a young woman as clean and beautiful language.

Encouraging Mission News

After several weeks of earnest effort and through a real understanding and cooperative spirit on the part of the American and British passport officials, we have arranged for Reverend and Mrs. F. J. Thibodeau to go to Jamaica to look after the mission work there and Rev. J. B. Camp and family to go to the Bahama Islands.

The former left Miami by plane June 20 and the latter on June 22. It looked for a while as if it were going to be impossible to get all arrangements made but many prayers had been going up and we believe the Lord undertook in the matter. Please pray for these people in their new fields of labor.—M. P. Cross, Mission Secretary.

Enjoyed Convention at Nassau, Bahamas

I praise the Lord because He is the same yesterday, today, and forever. I can truly thank God for the way He made for me to attend the twenty-third annual convention of the Church of God here in Nassau, January 11-17, with Rev. William R. Frank, assistant overseer, presiding. We had a real feast in the Lord. Oh, it was wonderful! Yes, it was wonderful. Surely God was in the midst of every service. The speakers were at their best. We had a wonderful welcome address given by Sister Eugenie Adderly, which made every one of us feel happy. Sometimes the waves and shouts of glory hovered over the entire building. We felt as if heaven drew nearer. It was joy unspeakable and full of glory and the half has never yet been told. We were thankful to God for having with us our Secretary of Foreign Missions, Brother M. P. Cross, who gave some very inspiring messages.

The memory of this convention still lingers in the minds of those who attended. Dear readers, if you had been present you would have heard some of the best singing that ever fell from mortal lips. We surely prayed the heavens open and God turned the glory on. Our cups were so filled that they ran over many times. We were greatly encouraged to press on the last mile of the way. We love our overseer and esteem him very highly. Pray that I will stay in the center of God's will until He comes.—One who loves the Church and its teachings, Elfreeda Knowles.

GIRL DELINQUENTS BIG WAR PROBLEM

Teen-Age 'Khaki-Wackies' Called National Menace

(From The Chattanooga Times
May 30, 1943)

WASHINGTON, May 29 (AP) — They're getting into a peck of trouble. The kid who plays hookey from school . . . the khaki-wacky girl, kissing the soldier in the doorway . . . the droves of youngsters who roam the



Rev. and Mrs. F. J. Thibodeau

A Blessed Convention

Dear Evangel Family: The dear Lord has blessed us with a wonderful district convention which started June 3 and ended on the 6th at a very late hour.

Our assistant overseer, Rev. William R. Franks, was with us throughout the whole session, and did plenty of teaching, and his messages were very helpful. Our district overseer, Brother Clarence Poitier, was at his post, and it was a blessed time. It was believed to be one of the best conventions held in this district.

A few souls were at the altar every night, and some of them were blessed.

The crowds were very large at the night services, and a large number stood outside, at the windows and in the street.

Our assistant overseer's last message will long be remembered. The singing was exceptionally good, and all the ministers and various speakers seemed to be at their best.

The parting hour came all too soon, but we are looking forward to the time when we shall meet, and never have to part.

Please remember us over there in your prayers. And may God's richest blessings ever rest upon you all.—Yours for the great Church of God, Enos Williams, Cat Island, Bahamas.

streets and haunt the movies, taverns and other amusement places.

J. Edgar Hoover, FBI chief, says it's a problem that is approaching a "national scandal."

The U. S. Children's Bureau says it's a problem that has aroused more widespread "interest, concern, confusion and uncertainty" than any other home front subject.

Schools, churches, courts and social agencies throughout the nation are worried, trying to do something about it. But the problem, accelerated by the war . . . unrest, emotional upsets, maladjustments in living and social condi-

tions . . . continues to grow.

The waywardness of the young always has been a public concern with the rising tides of war but this time it's different, officials declare.

Inadequate Home Life

Problems are intensified in degree and in number, according to the Children's Bureau, because of "exaggerated demands upon parents that render them less able than usual to provide the things needed for adequate home life for their children."

It's the child with time on his hands and no one to supervise his idle hours who is considered most likely to get into trouble.

Now parents are separated from their children for long periods because of long working hours, irregular shifts of work and shortcomings of transportation facilities. The cause most often cited for delinquency is the working mother, on the ground that the first responsibility for child behavior lies with parents.

The Children's Bureau says:

"The child needs an adult to spend some time with him. It's fairly easy for parents to see the physical needs of the two-year-old; not so easy to see the equally important mental needs of the child who can take care of himself. All children need someone to be interested in them."

And Frank X. Reller, St. Louis probation officer, comments:

"Parents are building a wave of gangsterism after the war for a few paltry dollars now."

Urges Legislation

If parents won't keep up homes, there isn't much that can be done to ease the situation, Reller says. He advocates, as a war measure reaching to the base of the delinquency problem, "legislation making it compulsory for women whose husbands have adequate income and whose children are under 17 years to remain in their homes and care for their children."

In almost every instance the increase in delinquency of girls has been attributed to the lure of the uniform. Some of the girls have been returned runaways who followed the boys to the camps, others have been sex-violators—"pick-ups."

"It has become increasingly obvious that more girls under 16 are becoming delinquent because of the glamor and glitter associated with the preparation for war," Children's Bureau officials report.

They say a "false conception of patriotism" among teen-age girls seems to be the general basis for promiscuity with men in uniform.

In some communities these girls are called "victory girls," in others they are called "khaki-wackies." Some of them are but 11 and 12 years of age.

In some cities policewomen patrol spots where teen-age girls hang out to "pick up" service men. In other places, committees consisting of women's club leaders, educators and other civic leaders are working out programs to give adolescent girls more participation in war activities, on the theory that the girls are restless because they have nothing to do directly tied in with the war.

Those who spend enough time on their knees will have no trouble standing on their feet.

THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

We receive many requests for the salvation of relatives, loved ones, and friends, also for urgent unspoken requests. There are so many of these it is impossible to publish them, but we ask that all take them to heart and earnestly pray that the Lord will answer prayer in their behalf. In order for requests to be published they must be signed.

PRAY FOR

The healing of my body.—Mrs. Christine Teams, Rt. 2, Pitts, Ga.

God to undertake for my son.—Clarence E. Martin, Rt. 6, Marietta, Ohio.

The healing of Annie Cameron, Rt. 6, Lexington, N. C., she is seriously ill with heart trouble; her son, Lacy Cameron, who was hit on the head June 5 and is still unconscious, to be saved and healed. This is a serious and special case. Roby Floyd, Rt. 1, Denton, N. C., to be saved and healed of rheumatism; my sons; me.—C. B. Wall, Rt. 6, Lexington, N. C.

God to undertake for my two brothers, one told me he had a demon and could not help it, he just had to do something, they both drink; my two sons.—Mrs. J. H. Kendrick, Kentwood, La.

The Lord to heal my brother-in-law who has been sick for quite a while; an uncle; the healing of my eyes and ear.—Mrs. Webster Duncan, Baywood, La.

My sons in service.—Mrs. Emm Jones, Maud, Okla.

The Lord to undertake for two women who are very badly afflicted in their bodies.—Mrs. D. Donaldson, Sweetwater, Tenn.

My husband to be healed of stomach trouble.—Mrs. Edgar Miller, Rt. 1, Box 20, Raphine, Va.

The healing of our pastor, Brother Orville Baker, he got a piece of steel in his eye while working.—Mrs. Ben Ellis, Rich Hill, Mo.

The Lord to heal me of leakage of the heart.—Mrs. Dallas Roush, 319 Franklin St., Marietta, Ohio.

A sister to be healed; urgent unspoken request.—Mrs. Gertie Byrd, Jasper, Fla.

The Lord to heal my husband, he is in a very bad condition; my father-in-law who is in a bad condition also, to be healed. He has been at death's door but held on to the Lord and He has brought him through so far. We earnestly covet your prayers that God will lift this affliction from our home.—Mrs. Lloyd White, Rt. 1, Box 130, Magee, Miss.

The Lord to heal my body, I have been confined to my bed over four months and am unable to work. This was caused from a fall.—Addie Hamilton, Glenburn, N. Dak.

The healing of my body; my son, Otis, to be healed of heart trouble and severe stomach trouble; my son who hurt his arm to be healed, he is suffering much with it.—Jessie Ray, Rt. 1, Piedmont, Ala.

The healing of Mrs. Emma Shaw, 110 Canal St., Cedartown, Ga., of cancer. Unless God heals her she can't live long. She surely needs encouragement.—Mrs. Ida Bowling, Rt. 2, Summer-ville, Ga.

God to undertake for my home, the enemy is surely working.—Mrs. H. B. Jackson, 1610 Iona St., Jacksonville, Fla.

The healing of my neck of a goitre.—Mrs. D. A. Pense, East St. Louis, Ill.

The healing of my body, I have a kinked kidney tube and it affects my kidneys. At times I can't turn in bed without hollering, the pain is so severe. I am trusting the Lord but it seems my faith is weak; also the healing of my instep which is sprained.—Mrs. Lillie West, Box 213, Erwin, N. C.

The healing of my son, Jesse E. Wright, who has an enlarged heart and low blood pressure.—Mrs. Julia Ingham Jones, Rt. 1, Box 37 B, Lithia, Fla.

My father and mother to be healed; unspoken request.—Miss Helen Navy, Lydia Mill, Clinton, S. C.

The healing of my limbs; the healing of my father who has heart trouble; my husband.—Mrs. Fussell, Box 458, Homerville, Ga.

The healing of my limb, the muscle is out of place; my two brothers in service; my unsaved dad.—Miss Dorothy Haynes, Rt. 2, Corryton, Tenn.

Me to be healed of Bright's disease.—Buck Gillisple, 211 Short St., Williamson, W. Va.

My mother to be healed; my father who had a stroke; my afflicted body.—Mrs. Chester Evans, Bridgeport, Ill.

My healing, I am afflicted in the leaders which run from the back of my head down my back, this causes me much suffering.—James J. Sorrells, Tucker, Ga.

The man who robs God, whether it be in money or service, is laying the foundation for spiritual bankruptcy and has become a spiritual bandit.

OBITUARIES

RICKER

Brother and Sister James Ricker, of Augusta, Me., lost their home and four children February 15, 1943. Those dead are Vivian, twenty-eight years; Walter, twenty-two years; Jack, eighteen years, and Buster, five years. Sister

Ricker is the clerk of the Church of God in Augusta, Me.

It was forty degrees below zero the night of the fire. Brother and Sister Ricker ran up and down the street very thinly clad and barefooted. Brother and Sister Ricker said they could never stand the shock and death unless the Lord would help them.

The bodies were burned so badly until the funeral was a closed one. After the sermon the father and mother went around and kissed the four tops of the caskets. They took Sister Ricker to the waiting room. She asked to go back to the caskets one more time. As she would pass the caskets she would pray and ask the Lord to give her the victory and help her at that time. As she passed the last one she fell on her knees and said, "Lord, you must help me. I do not have the victory yet." All at once her face was shining with the glory of God and the power of God playing over her body. She raised her hands toward the heavens and said, "At last I have the victory." All who were standing knew she had the victory by the presence of the Lord that was so real to all. Brother William Morris, our overseer, had charge of the funeral.

Please remember them in prayer. Their feet were frozen the night of the fire and their bodies and nerves shocked.

STROUD

Brother Jim Stroud departed this life to be with Jesus June 12, 1943; age forty-four years. He united with the Church of God at McCormick, S. C., about four months before his death.—Mrs. J. B. Young, clerk, McCormick, S. C.

MONTGOMERY

Our beloved son, James Charles Montgomery, departed this life June 8; age fifteen years. He was taken from us suddenly by drowning. He is sadly missed and we request all the prayers of the saints.—Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Montgomery, 312 Crowell St., Monroe, N. C.

GOODMAN

Our dear father, B. S. Goodman, was born March 9, 1863, and departed this life June 2, 1943; age eighty years, two months and twenty-four days. Pray for his heartbroken family.—His daughter, Mrs. Pearl McIntyre, Thomasville, Ala.

O'BRIEN

Sister Ora O'Brien, a member of the Church of God and our Y.P.E. leader, went to be with Jesus, May 31, 1943. She was always ready to do something for the Lord's work.—Mrs. L. A. Murphy, Marietta, Ohio.

SMITH

Sister Louise Oney Smith, wife of Rev. Wm. Smith, and an evangelist in the Church of God, was born at Morristown, Pa., May 18, 1898, and went to be with Jesus May 19, 1943. God showed her a beautiful city and she said just before she passed away, "I have a beautiful home."—William E. Smith (colored), 846 Dupont St., Wilmington, Del.

REPORTS

First State Y.P.E. and Sunday School Convention in New England

The first state Y.P.E. and Sunday School convention ever held in New England was held in Portland, Maine, June 12, 13. There was not such a large delegation but God met with us throughout the convention in a special way. Each service was a spiritual feast to all who attended. The Lord's presence seemed so near and His approval was upon each service. The special feature of the meeting was lots of singing and instrumental music. On Saturday and Sunday evenings the pantomime "The Search in Vain" was presented by the Portland young people. The power of conviction seized the audience and several went to the altar.

Sunday morning the Lord blessed us in a mission service. We felt our need to do more for the Lord. The offering amounted to \$21. Our afternoon service was devoted to the interest of the Sunday School work. An offering was given for the orphanage amounting to about \$15. The last service climaxed the whole convention. The presence of God was there in such a marvelous way.

The young people in Portland have been doing a good work and showing much interest the last few weeks. The convention was a great help to them and each has a new determination to do more for God. Pray that God will bless in this territory and that our young people's work will prosper.—Mrs. Everett Reese.

CASHIERS, N. C.—I praise God for victory in my soul. I also praise Him for the souls He has saved and sanctified at this place and for the sweet Holy Ghost that the new believers have received. This is a new place where there has never been a Church of God sermon preached until two years ago this summer. Brother George Webb, of Highlands, N. C., began coming over and preaching in a home. I invited him to come to my house and preach. So Brother Webb and Brother Harris came to my place and preached several times. As my house was small and not in the center of the community, we began to talk about a place to have a revival. One night I bowed to pray around my family altar. The Lord placed an old storehouse before me. I wrote a letter and rented the old storehouse. Praise God, we had a good revival. Several were saved, one sanctified and one filled with the sweet Holy Ghost, speaking in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance.

We had another revival last fall and several more were saved and sanctified and one filled with the Holy Ghost. Also, a man heard a few sermons preached, took his Bible, went to the woods and got saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Glory to God.

We have preaching every Sunday at eleven o'clock, three in the afternoon and at night. Then we have prayer meeting on Wednesday night and in the last six weeks or two months there have been sixteen saved and ten sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Praise God forever for His mighty power and His wonderful works and for the manifestation of His Holy Spirit.

I am so glad I can stand up for my Lord. I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. I have a precious boy in the Army; he is in Kansas and was a sinner when he left home. I surely want everyone to pray for him. He was the only child I had at home, being the only single one I have. I would be glad if any of you good readers would write him a letter and try to help him find the Lord. His address is Pvt. Alvis McCall, Co. F., 302 Inf., A.P.O. 94, U.S. Army, Camp Phillips, Kans. Please pray for him. I am a widow and have only a grandson ten years old to live with me. Also pray for my grandson in North Africa, Lester Crow, and pray for me. I am able to do but very little work at all.—Mrs. Sallie B. McCall.

BLADENBORO, N. C.—We organized a Young People's Willing Workers' Band three weeks ago. We have over \$20 in the treasury now. We have a fine group to work with and they are all willing workers. If your church doesn't have a Junior Workers' Band, organize one now and it will be a blessing to the church and the young people will have something to do that will be a blessing to them.—Miss Mollie Thomas, Box 208, Whiteville, N. C.

Fellowship Meeting

The quarterly fellowship meeting convened at the Velvet Ridge, Ark., church April 4. Brother Roberson, district pastor, was in charge. After the devotional service we had a good praise service. The writer then gave a welcome address, then our district pastor brought a message. One went to the altar and was reclaimed. In the afternoon Brother F. T. Rudesill brought a wonderful message, followed by Brother Lona Marlar, pastor of McCrory church. We adjourned with a good handshaking.—T. C. Weathers, Bald Knob, Ark.

CAMBRIDGE, Md.—Truly we thank God for the Church of God at Cambridge. We are having a wonderful time in the Lord. People are being healed, saved and sanctified; the young people are very interested in the church in our Y.P.E. and Sunday School. We would be glad to get a loudspeaker or combination.—The Y.P.E. and Sunday School Workers.

HUMBOLDT, Tenn.—The Church of God at Humboldt is making good progress. Our attendance is climbing, the spiritual tide rising, souls are finding the Lord and the financial

side gaining. We are highly appreciative of the work being done by our good pastor, B. L. Alford. At this time we have a nice concrete block church with Sunday School rooms in connection under construction. We appreciate the splendid cooperation we have received in raising funds by the members, friends and business firms of Humboldt. We are hoping by the time our building is complete to have it free of debt.—Horace Chatman, clerk, 21st St.

A New Church in Atlanta, Ga.

"The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad," Psa. 126:3.

Last June the Spirit of God began to speak to us concerning the Grant Park section of Atlanta. We asked our heavenly Father for a tent and went to find a location for the meeting. In a few days the tent was up and an old-fashioned revival was in progress, but the old enemy didn't wait long to put us to task. We kept this tent up only eleven days. In His own precious way God gave us another tent and we didn't miss one night's service. With the help of different ones whom the Lord would send to assist us, we continued until cold weather, then rented a nice store building and are still worshipping there. Words fail and space does not permit me to tell you in detail how God has defeated Satan and worked miracles in order to prove Himself to the people.

On March 27 our district overseer, Rev. Linwood Jacobs, organized the church with thirty members, three of these are men with families. We have a wonderful Sunday School, a Y.P.E. and L.W.W.B. and are working hard on our building fund. But best of all, the fire of God's love is burning, souls are praying through, receiving the Holy Ghost, speaking in tongues as on the day of Pentecost. The Church of God is established in another section of this great city. Pray for us and visit us when in Atlanta. Our church is located at Berean and Glenwood Streets.—Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Largin, pastor.

SEVIERVILLE, Tenn.—By the help of God, a loyal church and the city of Sevierville, we have bought a new church lot in front of Sevier County High School for \$1,500. We think it is one of the best sites in this city. We have raised since the Assembly \$1,000 to pay on this lot and kept up our quotas.

We are now in a revival with Rev. Donald Crane doing the preaching. We praise God that we are privileged to attend Bible School and College. Pray for the work here.—M. N. McPherson.

We Are Blessed Financially and Spiritually

PARMA, Mo.—We had our state overseer and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. G. R. Watson, with us over the week end of March 12-14. The Lord wonderfully blessed and we enjoyed their being with us so much. They were a blessing to us. Brother Watson's messages were full of power and truth

and love, and Sister Watson's talks were very uplifting and helpful to everyone. They are such fine folks and the secret of all is this, they are true to God and His Church.

Our state Y.P.E. and Sunday School superintendent, Brother Arlie Dorman, and his wife were with us too. We surely love them; they are good consecrated workers for the Lord.

We had all-day service on Sunday with plenty of dinner for all present. The pastors from all over the district were present and our district pastor, who is very faithful, was with us also.

Most of the churches dismissed after Sunday School and there was a nice group from each one, considering the gas ration. We had large crowds each time we gathered. Our state overseer did most of the preaching, which we were happy to have him do. It was the second time we have had him with us. Sister Watson is surely a good Sunday School teacher; she taught our lesson from the pulpit as we had such a large crowd. After Sunday School Sister Dorman brought the message. Brother Harvey Parker, pastor at Little River, made a short talk on the Evangel and nine subscriptions were taken.

We have an L.W.W.B. that is true to the name. The Lord is blessing us both financially and spiritually.

Our good pastor and wife, Brother and Sister E. R. Heaton, are certainly working faithfully with us.—Lillie Parker.

We praise God for the way He has and is blessing us at Joseph Chapel. We had our home-coming Easter Sunday. The presence of the Lord was with us. There is a sweet spirit of humility and love among us. We love and appreciate our pastor, Brother B. L. Roberts, and his precious wife.—Mrs. Calvin Patrick, Rt. 1, Merigold, Miss.

REVIVALS

AMELIA, Va.—I praise the Lord for the way He is blessing us. Our revival closed May 8; it ran two weeks. Brother Charles McGuire was the evangelist. He did some very good preaching, also his life's testimony was enjoyed by all. This was his first revival. He believes in fasting and praying to see souls blessed. Though we can't report many blessed, we feel like lots of good was done. One was saved and others blessed. Several came to the altar each night. Some who had never been to the Church of God came during the revival and seemed interested. The devil worked the hardest we ever saw anywhere in a revival, but thank God, we still have the victory.

May 8 we had an all-day service, had a wonderful time. Encouraging messages were brought forth and a nice lunch was served at the church. Well, the Lord has done lots for us, whereof we are glad. We are over the top with all of our quotas and ready for the honor roll at the state convention. We have a nice extra mission offering besides the \$1.00 per member quota. We are only a few in number but the Lord has blessed us. Praise His good name. Please pray for us here at Amelia that we will be workers

for the Master.—Virginia Lloyd leader, Rt. 1, Box 248.

DILLON, S. C.—The revival conducted by Brother Carl Cox, of Slater, S. C., closed Sunday night, April 13. Brother Cox did some of the best preaching I ever heard. He commanded the attention of his congregation at all times and every available seat, including the choir of forty and side wings, was filled to capacity on Sunday nights and seats had to be taken out of Sunday School rooms. One thing noticeable about the service, two-thirds of the congregation stayed late to see what would happen next. The power of God came in waves one after another as backsliders and hard-hearted men, and drunkards came through shouting the victory. It was wonderful!

In three weeks twenty-eight were saved, seventeen sanctified, eleven filled with the Holy Ghost and thirteen added to the church. Out of this number were ten men saved, the most in one meeting since we have been in Dillon. One of the worst drunkards in Dillon was saved and filled with the Holy Ghost. Practically all were grown people.

This is our third year in Dillon and it is a great year so far. Every department of the church is making gains. We have some fine people to work with. They appreciate their pastor and their pastor appreciates them. We have wonderful cooperation which makes it pleasant to work. If you want to enjoy a good spiritual, Pentecostal meeting, come to Dillon and you will not get disappointed.—J. B. Cole, pastor.

MANNS CHOICE, Pa.—We are glad to report a good revival at our church. God's power and blessings were manifested in a mighty way. Brother Renroad preached under the mighty anointing of the Holy Ghost. Sinners were made to feel the need of a Savior. Saints were made to feel the need of a closer walk with Him. Brother Renroad is surely a man of God. Eight were saved, five sanctified and many more blessed. Pray for us and pray for Brother and Sister Smith in their work.—Mrs. Jessie Liberty.

RICHMOND, Va.—We conducted a very successful revival campaign at the Church of God, South Richmond, Va., recently. Several were added to the church there. Our needs were supplied wonderfully. Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Brummett are excellent people to work with in a revival.—Rev. and Mrs. Russell Ford, evangelists.

LANCASTER, Ky.—We had a two weeks' revival with Rev. Henry Robertson, our district overseer, doing the preaching, with the pastor preaching three nights. Four were saved, one sanctified and the church wonderfully blessed. We praise God for our district pastor for he is a good preacher. He is loved by the people here at Lancaster. We are praying that he will get to be back with us again soon. Pray that the little church here will be a blessing to the people.—W. L. Bloomfield, Box 429.

PITTSBURG, Kans.—We thank the Lord for a three weeks' revival at the Pittsburg, Kans., Church of God Brother Oscar L. May, of Marked Tree, Ark., was our evangelist. He did some wonderful preaching and is willing to let God use him in His own way. The church was greatly revived and a number of outsiders became very interested. They remarked that it was like old-time holiness meetings. There were two saved, two sanctified and two filled with the Holy Ghost. Brother and Sister May's good singing was surely uplifting and enjoyed by all. We covet your prayers in Kansas; we need old-time revivals.—W. C. Howard, pastor.

EASTON, Md.—The Lord is blessing us in a wonderful way. We have enjoyed two good revivals since the Assembly. The B.T.S. men's quartet, with Brother Furr doing the preaching, held us a seven weeks' meeting. This one was like those of old, with souls praying through in the early hours of the morning. Nineteen were saved, fourteen sanctified, four filled with the Holy Ghost and sixteen added to the church. Brother Robert Newton held us a two weeks' meeting. This seemed a seed-sowing time. We had only one saved but the church was greatly blessed.

We all enjoyed having the boys' quartet and Brother and Sister Newton and daughter with us. They have a hearty welcome back to Easton.

The revival spirit is still going on in our regular services—folks are getting saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, also more added to the church. Since the Assembly twenty-three have been saved, sixteen sanctified, sixteen filled with the Holy Ghost and twenty-three added to the church. Remember us in your prayers.—Mrs. R. F. Koshewitz.

CLAYTON, N. C.—We just closed a wonderful four weeks' revival April 25 with Brother G. F. Bradshaw doing the preaching. He did some wonderful preaching and God was with him. Twenty-one were saved, twelve sanctified, nine filled with the Holy Ghost, and eleven added to the church. The revival closed with fifteen at the altar. Brother Bradshaw left the church on fire for God. We have some fine people at Clayton. We are trying to get a church built and I believe they are going to help do this. Please pray that God will help us to get it built. I just believe we are going over the top for God at Clayton.—Pastor, T. B. Whitehurst, 412 S. 6th St., Smithfield, N. C.

I am glad to report a wonderful revival at Pineville, Ky., held the last of February and first of March. We were there three weeks and God wonderfully blessed while we were there, with eighteen saved, ten sanctified, four filled with the Holy Ghost, and the best I know about thirteen were added to the church, lacking only two doubling the membership, as it was a small church with fifteen members.

If there is anyone who wants me at their church for a revival, please let me know. Pray for us.—Rev. Edgar Rowe, Fork Ridge, Tenn.

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

Building Lighthouses

WINSLOW, Ariz.—I am a member of the Church of God and a reader of the Evangel. We look forward to the next issue of the Evangel as it brings us real joy to read letters from saints. We have no members here except our family of three. We have the baptism and are all members. Over five years ago God gave me a vision of a dark place in dire need of lighthouses, people starving for need of the full gospel. I am now working on the sixth church and the third parsonage since that time. I have had a real test and a prolonged struggle here to put it over but I'm determined to see it go over.

For more than five years my husband has been sick in bed and to add to my struggle here he has grown worse. I feel I can finish this building to where a minister can take charge of it, but unless God comes on the scene I may have to quit the battlefield of further building elsewhere. I know God is able to heal him. We have a nice house trailer and a good car with good tires and equipped for this pioneer work, if God will touch his body. Our boy is in high school. I'm praying that there will be a way opened that he can go to B.T.S. He has the baptism and I would like to see him get an education where the surroundings are clean, but unless God makes the way I have no way to send him there to school. We request prayer that God will bless us with funds to get our building up. We have done all we know to do toward it, now we ask God to send it to us His way, not ours. We also request prayer for guidance when this is finished.—Mrs. D. H. Fuller, Gen. Del.

I Want To Be at My Best for Him

LIVE OAK, Fla.—Dear Evangel Readers, some of you remember that nearly a year ago I sent a request to the Evangel for prayer to be healed of something like cancer. For some time I seemed to be weaker and in more pain than ever, also other conditions developed. I held on to God and about October began to improve. I continued to improve and told the dear Lord I would testify of the healing, but I put off writing. I had been racked with pain and for at least two weeks was entirely free from pain, yet I failed to give God the praise due Him and soon the old troubles began to return, and now I feel that I am not so well. I have renewed my promise to the Lord and promised Him that I will take better care of my body and not undertake work or walks that are unreasonable for one of my age (sixty-nine) but will go on with Him doing my bit for His glory and pointing others to the blessed fountain that takes away all sin. I want to be at my best for Him; He has done so much for me and I do thank and praise Him.

I also thank the good sisters and brothers who wrote encouraging letters to me and sent me comforting tracts. I know that God is good.—Mrs. Levin W. Johnson, Rt. 1, Box 139.

Have Really Experienced Divine Healing

I feel impressed to ask for prayer for the healing of my body. I was taken suddenly with severe cramps; I could not talk. I wanted to pray but was suffering so badly. I am in the home of my sister and brother-in-law. There wasn't anybody to pray for me. The doctor came and said I needed an operation at once. He said it is a serious operation, but something keeps me from going to the hospital, for I know God can heal. I am a member of the Church of God at Jena, La. I have been trusting God for my healing for four years. I have been healed several times instantly of different ailments. I really know the touch of the divine healing power of God. I also know God will heal me now if I have faith to believe. My husband was very strict and trusted God with his body until he was called in service. He has been in armed service since November 24, 1942. He is now in the hospital asking for prayer. Saints, please pray for him. Pray that God will have His way in our lives. My husband would appreciate encouraging letters. His address is Pvt. Frank J. Entekin, Bunes General Hospital, Ward C-2, Santa Fe, N. Mex. I also would appreciate letters of encouragement. My home address is Star Route 1, Jena, La.—Mrs. Frank Entekin, Sta. A. R. 5, Box 271, New Orleans, La.

He Is a Friend in the Army

Dear Evangel Readers, greetings in Jesus' precious name. Just a line to let you know I am all right, still trying to do my best for Him who did so much for me. Truly He has been wonderful to me. He has helped me so much since entering the service of the U. S. Army. I can never thank Him enough for what He has done for me. Truly, He is a friend that will never fail. It reminds me of what the song poet said when he wrote, "I know my God is true." If we will only do our part He will always walk beside us. I am so glad I am saved; I do not know what I would do without Him. I cannot tell you where I am but I am all right, still trying to do my part for God.—Your brother in Christ, Pfc. Victor J. Sebens, 174 Station Hosp., A.P.O. 927, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.

We Need More Laborers

BAGWELL, Tex.—It has been quite a while since I have written you but I read Sister Brandenburg's good letter on "Tithing" and I truly believe if we do not pay our tithes that God will take it in some way or other. One time last year I failed to pay my tithes, just kept putting it off, so one day when I was in town shopping I lost more than what my tithes amounted to, so now I am paying up my back tithes and with God's help I will never be guilty any more of not paying my tithes.

I praise God because He makes us to know when we are not in His will.

I am interested in Brother Howard Collier's going to Bible Training School. Please pray for God to make the way for him. We need more laborers because the harvest truly is ripe and the laborers are few, and the Word tells us to pray the Lord to send out more laborers. I do not think there could be too many laborers in a time like this, especially. There isn't a Church of God in about twenty-five miles of me and I am sure there are many other places here in the U. S. A. that are just as bad as this place. Manchester is my home and I haven't heard a sermon (by a full-gospel preacher), only over the radio, in over three years, but I read the good sermons in the Evangel and pray that God will some time send a Church of God preacher here.—Mrs. Willie Giddens, Rt. 1.

By His Help I Mean To Do His Will

WINOKUR, Ga.—Dear saints, I am asking you to pray for us at Bachlott, Ga., and the church here. Pray that the Lord will send us a revival here and send a shepherd who will feed the flock and get them all gathered back again. I have moved here from Callahan, Fla. The Lord sent me here and I want to stand true to Him and do His will, and if I know His will by His help I am going to do it. I need your prayers. I am a widow and have seven children and they are all in sin except one in the army. He wrote to me twice that he had made peace with God and for me not to worry about him for his soul was sanctified, filled and made whole. Thank the Lord.

I love the Lord with all my heart, mind and soul. I do not want anything to come between my soul and my Savior. I know He is my all in all. Praise His name. I know that He never will forsake us and will never leave us alone, for He said so in His Word. I know His Word is true and that He doesn't fail concerning His promises; it is we who do the failing.

Two of my sons are in the army. One of them has been sent across, the one who said he had made peace with God. He was a backslider. I just kept writing to him and telling him to put all his trust in God, that His power in one place was the same as in another. He wrote and said, "Mother, I did what you told me and I am all right with the Lord." I surely thank the Lord for the way He keeps me and makes the way for me.—Rosie Crews, Rt. 1.

Desire To Be a Living Testimony

STOCKTON, Calif.—Dear Saints, my husband is in the army and stationed here at Stockton Motor Depot. We both are members of the Church of God. Our membership is at Post, Tex. There is no Church of God in this town so we attend the Pentecostal Holiness church. They have good services but it doesn't satisfy like the Church of God. I have been reading the reports and testimonies in the Evangel and they are food to my soul. Sometimes I get so hungry to be in some good old-time Church of God meetings I can hardly stand it. Pray that God will keep us true to

Him and our lives may be a living testimony to the lost and unsaved. My husband was in active work for the Lord before he was drafted into the army. He doesn't have a very good chance to talk to the other soldiers about their souls now as his job is personal clerk. We are planning on going back in the work of the Lord as soon as the war is over and he gets out of the army, if it is the Lord's will. We need your prayers for strength in the Lord.—Mrs. Lena Pearle Owen, 1124 E. Maine St.

True Facts

Dear Readers, to all who have loved ones in service, I really do not know how to express the way I feel. I am sitting in a fox hole with a number of boys around me. We surely would like to go home, but, friends, we cannot until Americans get down on their knees and pray their way back to God. You know God says, "I will be with you always, even unto the end."

Mothers and fathers, the only thing that is going to win this war is praying to the almighty God. We people of America have put our Savior last. You know one time our Lord came to us, but now we must go to Him. He left His home on high and came into this world of sin to die for us that we could have a home with Him, also live here on earth without sin.

There is so much preaching today telling the young boys and girls that they have to sin a little every day, but my Bible tells me that we can live above sin.

Now, friends, we will get back to the war. You know all the big guns, all the tanks, and the airplanes cannot win this war if God doesn't help us. I had rather have God on my side than every gun there is. If you will open your Bibles to Psa. 9:1 you will find out why I had rather have God with me.

Friends, when you pray, remember all the soldiers. Pray that God will save them and be with them until the end. I am a brother in the Church of God at Graysville, Tenn. I am praying for God to come out soon in a great way. Let's put our Master first and win the victory.—Pvt. Bruce L. Majors, 3450613, Co. A., 44th Engineers, Bn. C., A.P.O. 402, c/o Postmaster, Nashville, Tenn.

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The demands of this all-out global war is making the situation more critical every hour. While in New York and Washington last week, I learned that restrictions on traveling are becoming more and more severe. Our people in the Eastern States, bordering the Atlantic, are careful that when the wheels of their cars turn over, they are on strict business for the Church. I am informed in Chattanooga that from 150 to 200 persons are daily standing in the coaches of the trains unable to get seats. One lady returning from Cleveland to her home in the North was forced to stand for fourteen hours without a seat. I am assured that in Virginia people are forced to wait from two to three days at the time, hoping to make connections but constantly being refused passage because of the overcrowded conditions on the trains and buses.

In a previous announcement we stated that in accordance with the General Assembly ruling, the Twelve Councilors with the General Officials decided that we should have a ministerial Assembly which would be for active ministers, bishops and evangelists only. We are very sorry that it is not possible for us to have a General Assembly where all our people who desire to come may attend. Frankly, I believe that there would be 15,000 present this year if it were not for the restrictions. We are hopeful that by another year conditions will be much better and we can have such an Assembly. Under the present conditions, however, it is very necessary that we have this limited Assembly. Our facilities in Sevierville will accommodate approximately 1,200 people.

In order that all may be properly served, we are issuing tickets for rooms, meals, and seats in the auditorium. All these must be secured through the Entertainment Committee. The Committee will solicit all rooms in Sevierville, Gatlinburg, and in tourist camps. Since the housing situation is so acute, we insist that no minister be permitted to bring his wife or any other member of his family unless those members are licensed evangelists.

The dormitory will offer limited accommodations, which will be offered to the bishops, since they will be expected to come to the Bishops' Council prior to the Assembly. Those permitted to stay in the dormitory will furnish their own bed linens.

Your Committee earnestly pleads for your sincere cooperation and assures you that they are giving their careful and prayerful consideration to these matters during these unusual times.

For reservations, write Rev. Zeno C. Tharp, chairman of the Entertainment Committee, Sevierville, Tenn.

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LIBERTY

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individual person killed. When you think of the teeming millions that have been slain in battle during this war, you can catch a faint idea of the tremendous and outrageous cost of the price of the victory.

We find ourselves, therefore, surrounded completely by law. Even our freedoms, our liberties, our victories are in the course of law. One is likely to become discouraged at the stupendous price of victory as reflected in the loss of the lives of our boys, the cream of our nation; in the loss of the homes destroyed, lives blighted, properties consumed, hopes of tomorrow shattered. But these are only the cost incident to what men believe to be a freedom from tyranny; freedom from fear and want; and freedom from the oppressor's hand, who is attempting to take from us the opportunity to worship God.

If you ask whether or not the Revolution was worth what it cost, you are cited to the fact of this great and outstanding nation that is taking a big brother's part with the smaller oppressed nations. When one is faced with the fact that unless the price is paid, the liberties of speech; the privileges of a free people; and most of all, the opportunities to read God's Word, pray, and worship God according to the dictates of our consciences, are to be lost—then what would there be left? If we disregard the laws of heat, we burn our hands. If we disregard the laws of gravitation, we tumble down bruised and crippled. If men or nations disobey God's laws, they likewise will ultimately suffer. As the bird understands the laws of nature, the air, the wind, and gravitation, and beautifully glides along on his way, let us ever continue to learn and understand God's law concerning our lives and our destiny as individuals and as a nation, thus enjoying the liberties of the children of God, taking the great forces of God which He has placed at our disposal, and using them to the divine end that we as individuals may enjoy the liberty, freedom, and independence to the glory of God and that our nation may be found blessed at His return.

Ministers, remember Luke 4:18, "He hath sent me to set at liberty them that are bruised." Men are bruised in sin and bondage, behind prison doors. It is our duty to conquer the tyrant through the divine procedure that men may stand fast in the liberties of God.

HEALING FROM GOD

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fast and pray in order that we will have enough power and faith to touch Him in behalf of those that need healing.

After all, that which we receive from God is received through faith in Jesus Christ His Son. For instance, in St. Matthew 9 two blind men followed along behind Jesus crying out, "Thou son of David, have mercy on us." They believed if they could get His attention He would bless them. No doubt they had heard about the woman with the issue of blood being healed, also about the young man being raised from the dead. Naturally

this created courage and gave them hope. Jesus let these two men continue to follow Him until He came to a friend's home and after going inside He turned to the blind men and said, "Believe ye that I am able to do this?" They said unto Him, "Yea, Lord." Isn't it wonderful how these men, although blind and could not see natural objects, yet could have faith in His gospel and power? It is the same with you and me. We can't see the bodily form of our Lord but by an eye of faith we behold Him at the right hand of the Father with great power and glory. After these men expressed their faith by saying, "Yea, Lord," Jesus touched their eyes and said, "According to your faith be it unto you." Behold their eyes were opened. As Jesus said to these two men, "According to your faith," He applies the same quotation to us. If we have a little faith we only receive a little, but if we are fully trusting in Him, we receive all our needs. So it is according to your faith whether you are healed or not.

INDEPENDENCE

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jeopardized by false and devilish political philosophies, we lose the war behind the lines to unconquered foes within.

The announcement of the abolishing of the Comintern may sound good, but let us take time out to keep our house in order despite this supposed release of international strategy. There is nothing so imperative at present as a revival of prayer and old time religion in the American home. The Church cannot rise above what those who make up its membership are within their own homes. May God sober our 4th of July with a keenness of appreciation of God and our dependence upon Him.

God Blessing at Cawood, Ky.

CAWOOD, Ky.—We praise God because we can report the Lord is blessing us in our work here at Cawood. Praise the Lord for our pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister B. H. Enix; he is so faithful to the church. Surely the Lord sent him here. Pray that the Lord will give us a real old-time, Holy-Ghost revival; also pray

HOLY GHOST

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forty days, showing that it was possible that man could face the devil in all these various trials and then "stand, and proclaim deliverance through the power of the Holy Ghost." Jesus not only told His disciples that they should receive power but proved to them what the power of the Holy Ghost would do for them. He told His followers to go to Jerusalem and tarry—stay there till the Holy Ghost came—and they stayed until they were all filled with the Holy Ghost. Jesus had ascended to the Father, and Peter said, "He has shed forth this which ye now see and hear."

The Scripture tells us that many signs and wonders were done by the apostles, and "fear" came upon every soul. The mighty working power of the Holy Ghost will cause people to fear. Peter rebuked Ananias for lying to the Holy Ghost and Ananias fell dead, also his wife met death the same way. And great fear came on all them that heard these things. There were also many wonderful blessings that came to those who were less fortunate. Peter and John went up to the temple at the hour of prayer and the lame man was lying at the gate asking alms of the people that entered. Peter told him that he did not have any silver and gold but such as he had he would give him. He took him by the hand and commanded him to arise in the name of Jesus, and he was healed and went into the temple leaping and praising God. The rulers took a stand against it and tried to stop it, and as the persecutions arose they were scattered abroad and went everywhere preaching the Word.

These miracles that were performed in the early Church can be done today. The power of the Holy Ghost is the same as it was then, and is working among the people that are filled with the Holy Ghost and wholly given up to God. He has given His ministers power to preach and He will make His ministers a flame of fire. He has power to heal the sick, to cast out devils, and power to witness. Yes, He is the same today as in the early Church. Amen.

for my boy in service and my loved ones in sin.—Mrs. Steve Mitchell.

STATE CONVENTIONS

Date	State	Place
July 9-11	Michigan	Pontiac
July 9-11	West Virginia	Beckley
July 9-11	Oklahoma	Oklahoma City, Okla.
July 16-18	Pennsylvania	Somerset, Pa.
July 16-18	Missouri	Bonne Terre
July 16-18	Texas	Weatherford
	Maine, Mass., Conn., N. H.,	
July 23-25	Vt., R. I.	Appleton, Maine
July 23-25	Georgia	Atlanta
July 23-25	Mississippi	S. Shady Grove
July 30-August 1	Kentucky	Somerset
July 30-August 1	Arkansas	Marked Tree
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E. R. Connelly

Reverent, I've bowed by the Sequoia trees, God's oldest, largest living things,
Have explored many crystal caverns and sensed the thrill they bring;
Awed by grandeur of mountains, trout in clear rivers 'neath shady trees,
Great gorges hewn out by glaciers, in hard granite by slow degrees.
Enchanted by painted deserts, strewn with petrified forest logs,
Weird valleys below sea level flanked by peaks towering up to God.
Colossal treasures, antiques in museums, master paintings by inspired men,
Queer animals of every specie, bright-plumed birds have met my ken.
Stupendous wonders, wrought by nature, dams and bridges man has made,
Towering cliffs o'er wild sea billows, skyscrapers in marts of trade;
Lavish jewel-studded lavallieres, great heaps of dead men's skulls,
Mighty contests of the arena, marching hordes and naval hulls;
Hollywood's fair girls from every land, athletes of brawn and bone—
But after I viewed the best this world had, abroad and here at home,
I was thrilled through my entire being, my heart beat, I was proud;
On my sight blazed OLD GLORY; super-priceless, resplendent shroud.
The treasure our fathers gave us—they valued more than lives its birth—
To us a guarantee of freedom, safety in the greatest land on earth!
LISTEN: We are the Sons of Freedom, and if we wish to free remain,
We must renew our consecration, save our precious land again.
Selfish, God-hating humans, inspired from hell's brimstone,
Would destroy our blood-bought liberty, wreck our hearth and home!
AWAKEN, O Sons of Liberty! We must keep faith with God and man.
See, the FAIREST SIGHT in all the world, waves o'er our children's children's
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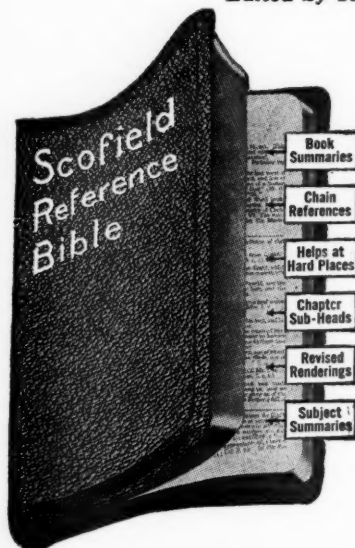


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